

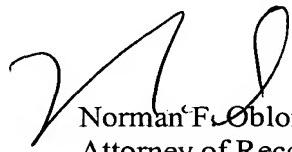
REMARKS

Applicants instructed the Office to amend the Specification using box 18 of the Utility Patent Application Transmittal (UPAT) form. Applicants subsequently learned that the Office revised its UPAT form, which no longer permits entry of a Preliminary Amendment by instruction. Therefore, Applicants amendment to the Specification has been provided on a separate sheet of paper in compliance with newly revised 37 CFR §1.121, in order to timely claim priority under 35 USC § 120.

No new matter is believed to have been added. An action on the merits and allowance of the claims is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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